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Review of Honduras

*(5 November 2020)*

Intervention by Ukraine

Madame President,

Ukraine welcomes the delegation of Honduras and acknowledges country’s adherence to the Review process as well as to collaboration with the UN special procedures.

We also welcome the introducing by State a protection mechanism for human rights defenders as well as the establishment of the Ministry of Human Rights.

Appreciating the steps taken by Honduras towards elimination of discrimination against women, prevention of violence against them and their murders as well as combatting trafficking in persons, we recommend Honduras to continue its efforts in this direction.

Ukraine also recommends to Honduras:

- to prevent and combat all acts of violence against women, to bring perpetrators to justice and to provide assistance and protection to victims;

- to take all measures to prevent the recruitment of children to work and criminalize the forced recruitment of children into criminal groups.

We wish Honduras a successful review.

Thank you.